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Foreign Agricultural Service

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Products Sought by Foreign Buyers

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AMERICAN BISON/BUFFALO MEAT (SWEDEN). The Swedish firm understands that American Bison/Buffalo meat is retailed in supermarkets in some northwestern states, and believes the product could have a potential in Sweden. CONTACT: Ulf Bussler, Finnmeat Ab, P.O. Box 4032, S-136 04 Handen 4, Sweden. Telex: 10962 SEAFL S. Phone: 8/59 50 86. (WK 05/TOFAS 0008)

ASH, BIRCH AND OAK LOGS (JAPAN). Specific quantities are not determined, however, expected to be substantial. Best quality. Length: more than 12'. Diameter: more than 7". Appropriate packaging for export. Immediate delivery by surface shipment. Quote: C&F. Bank ref: Mitsubishi Bank, Main Office, Tokyo. CONTACT: Mr. Yasuhiko Arai, Shintoa Koeki Kaisha, Ltd., c/o Shin Tokyo Bldg., 3-3-1, Marunouchi, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo, Japan. Telex: 2222143 SHINTOA J. Phone: (03) 213-2461. (WK 05/TOFAS 0012)

BEEF (EGYPT). Newly estabished firm wants to establish relation with U.S. exporters of low-priced frozen boxed beef. Quantity: to be determined by price. Quote: CIF Alexandria. Quality: U.S. good or similar in 2 kg. boxes. CONTACT: Mr. Ahmed El Shamy, 18, Kadry Street (Across from Cinema Isis), Saieda Zeinab, Cairo, Egypt. Phone: 908321. (WK 05/TOFAS 0011)

BLACKEYED BEANS AND LENTILS (GREECE). FIRM WANTS TO IMPORT BLACKEYED BEANS AND LENTILS FOR THE GREEK MARKET. PRICES QUOTED BOTH IN FOB & CIF PIRAEUS, GREECE. CONTACT: MR. ANDREAS C. ALEXANDROPOULOS, RODOPOULOS/ALEXANDROPOULOS LTD, 10 OTHONOS STR, GR-105-57, ATHENS, GREECE. PHONE: (01) 3227536, (01) 3228523. TELEX: 216281 ART. (WK 05/TOFAS 0018)

BUTTER (MOROCCO). QUANTITY: 2,400 MT. QUALITY: UNSALTED, 82% FAT, 16% MOISTURE MAXIMUM, 2% OTHER SUBSTANCES. PACKAGING: IN 25 KG. BLOCKS PACKED IN PLASTIC BAGS IN CARTONS. DELIVERY: 1,200 MT MARCH 15 AND 1,200 MT APRIL 15, 1985. QUOTE: C & F CASABLANKA AND FOB. BANK REF: COMMERCIAL BANK OF SYRIA. CONTACT: MARWAN SALLOUM. MARWAN SALLOUM COMPANY, OMAYAD HOTEL, DAMASCUS, SYRIA. TELEX: 411600 AND 411206 SY. CABLE: OMAYAD HOTEL. PHONE: 217700 AND 338069. (WK 05/TOFAS 0020)

BUTTERGHEE, NONFAT DRY MILK, DRY MILK (INDIA). Quantity: butterghee 1,000 MT. each month, skimmed milk 3000 MT, dry milk 3000 MT. Quality: butterghee 99.6-99.8% fat in 2 kg. cans (60%) and 5 kg. cans (40%). Cans packed in boxes. Skimmed milk, less than 1% fat, dry milk 7.5% fat. Skimmed and dry milk packed in 50 kg. plastic bags. Delivery: March 15, 1985. Quote: CIF Bombay. Bank ref: Raiffeisenbank, Elisabethpl 7, A-1040 Vienna. CONTACT: Ing. Peter Nohynek, International Management, Kohlg. 49/15, A-1050 Vienna, Austria. Telex: 111010 TZSTA. Phone: 557593. (WK 05/TOFAS 0021)

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CANNED FRUITS, CHOCOLATE, CANDY (TAIWAN). Quantity: to be decided. Quality: good. Packaging: standard packaging. Delivery: 30-45 days after receipt of L/C. Quote: FOB. Bank ref: The Chang Hwa Commercial Bank Ltd. and United World Chinese Commercial Bank Ltd. CONTACT: Dr. T. T. Liu, President, Six Dimond Trading Co Ltd., 15F-1, 1, Fu Hsing North Road, Taipei, Taiwan. Telex: 24868 SDITCTPE. Phone: (02) 721-8893. (WK 05/TOFAS 0025)

CORN OIL TENDER NO. 19 - 1984/85 (EGYPT). Quantity: 2000 MT according to specifications of the authority which run as follows: (A) 1000 MT packed in new sound drums, coated with material against oxidation; arrival: April 1985. (B) 1000 MT packed in packages weighing 1 kg. per each; arrival: April 1985. The committee is entitled to increase the declared quantity. Offers: to be presented latest February 6, 1985, 1 PM (Local time) for opening envelopes. Decision will be performed in the same date after opening envelopes. The following should be complied with: Offers to be submitted on basis of FOB and C&F. Offers not in conformity with this requirement will be disregarded. Awards of the Ministerial Decree No. 1636/1978 should be taken into consideration & copy of Form No. 14 concerning Commercial Agency should be attached w/submitted offer. Also, original copy of Commercial Agency should be submitted to be reviewed pursuant to awards of law 120/84 which govern the Commercial Agency & Commercial Brokery. Conds. & Specs book available at service department of Authority against payment L.E. 100 per copy of which should be attached with the submitted offer. CONTACT: Chairman/Oils & Tallows Committee, General Authority for Supply Commoditites, 24, Gomhouria Street, Cairo, Egypt. Telex: 92062 ESTRAM UN. Phone: 924488 or 923696. (WK 05/TOFAS 0008)

DAIRY CATTLE (SAUDIA ARABIA). Quantity: 1700 head. Quality: Holstein Friesian, Registered. Delivery: equal shipments from Nov.'85 to Feb.'86. Other req: contact inquirer. Quote: delivered to U.S. airport. Bank ref: Saudi Government entity. CONTACT: Abdulaziz S. Al-Owain, National Agricultural Development Co., P.O. Box 2557, Riyadh 11461, Saudi Arabia. Telex: 203681 NADEC SJ. Phone: 01-478-3488. (WK 05/TOFAS 0006)

FRESH CUT FIR LOGS (HONG KONG). Length: 20-40' average 32-34' small end diameter 12" and up (inside bark). Average volume 300 bf & up. Quantity: in shiploads whatever available. Quality: sawmill No. 2 & better, but max. 5%; No. 3 allowed, including 8-11" which should be graded as sawmill No. 3. Export packaging in bulk. Delivery: early 1985. Quote: C&F main Chinese ports. Bank ref: The Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, 14 King's Road, Hong Kong. CONTACT: Dr. Cheng Chung Liang or Mr. Jaroon Horathai, Tai Hui Trading Co., 14/F., Flat C, Man Hoo Court, Kowloon, Hong Kong. Telex: 39651 TAHUI HX. Phone: 3-889362. (WK 05/TOFAS 0016)

FROZEN BLACK RASPBERRIES (WEST GERMANY). Quantity: 2 MT. Quality: frozen. Delivery: ASAP. Other Requirements: must meet European regulations for food products (buyer will advise). Quote: FOB US. CONTACT: Kenneth Moore, Getraenck Information Horts Strecker GMBH., Ziegelhofstra. 15, 7800 Freiburg-Lehen, West Germany. Telex: 772-1628 GHST D. Phone: 0761-81001. (WK 05/TOFAS 0001)

FROZEN BREADED MUSHROOMS (JAPAN). Specific quantities are not determined, however expected to be substantial. Quality: best. Packaging: institutional and retail. Delivery: schedule to be decided later. Quote: C&F. Bank ref: Sanwa Bank, Hibiya Branch, Tokyo. CONTACT: Mr. Atsushi Omoto, Alpac Foods Inc., c/o Hohkoh Bldg., 1-8-19, Ginz, Tokyo, Japan. Telex: 2523295-PWPTOK. Phone: (03)561-6751. (WK 05/TOFAS 0011)

FROZEN FISH (BELGIUM). Want frozen fish mainly eel and pike. Firm imports from the U.S., Netherlands, Norway, Canada, Sweden, and Indonesia. Stores up to 50,000 MT of fish. Firm also prepares in their premises various fish dishes and specialties such as eel in a green napolitan sauce. CONTACT: Mr. Andre Van Gaever, Managing, Aalvis S.A., Quai Av Bois A Bruler, 39, 1000 Brussels, Belgium. Telex: 62323. Phone: 02/2182502. (WK 05/COMMERCE)

HEALTH FOOD/VEGETABLE PROTEIN-WITH VITAMINS & MINERALS TO BE USED AS A BODY BUILDING DIETARY SUPPLEMENT AND MEAL REPLACER (KOREA). Quantity: negotiable. Quality: 95% protein (contains Lecithin). Standard packing. Delivery: February, 1985. Quote: C&F Kimpo airport. CONTACT: Mr. Kim, Chong Soo, Won Il Trading Co., 161-5, Ulchi-ro 4-ka, Chung-ku, Seoul, Korea. Telex: K22756 YNTRADE. Phone: 274-0614/0190. (WK 05/TOFAS 8507)

HYBRID CORN SEED (SYRIA). Quantity: 1,360 tons plus/minus 5%. Quality: short season hybrid corn purity not less than 99%. Germination not less than 90%, moisture, not more than 14%. Impurities less than 0.5%, 1984 production, free from insects and diseases. The hybrid corn should be previously tried in Syria. Packaging: in 25 kg. paper bags or jute bags, on wooden pallets, covered with plastic cover or in containers. Delivery: by March 30, 1985. Quote: C&F full lines terms, Syrian ports. Other req: seeds should be treated but with mercuric components, a bid bond of 2% is required to be submitted with offer or sepapately before tender deadline. A properly legalized phytosanitary certificate, is also required with the shipment as well as a certificate of origin. Bank ref: Commercial Bank of Syria, Branch No. 6, Damascus. Deadline for submission of bid: February 12, 1985. CONTACT: Deputy Director General, General Organization For Fodder, P.O. Box 4797, Damascus, Syria. Telex: 411124 SY and 411089 ALAF SY. Cable: ALAF. Phone: 221689/221893. (WK 05/TOFAS 0013)

JOJOBA SEED (WEST GERMANY). Quantity, quality, packaging and delivery unspecified. Other requirements: request general information about production, (tissue culture), harvesting, prices and marketing. Request information about feeding swine from the jojoba fodder. CONTACT: Maurice Mueller, Danckelmannstr.61, 1000 Berlin 19, West Germany. (WK 05/TOFAS 0100)

LIVE EELS (BELGIUM). Quantity: 20 MT weekly. Quality: 100 grams minimum. Packaging: in cartons. Quote: FOB/New York and or other airports. CONTACT: Van Gaever Andre, S. A. Aalvis, Quai au Bois a Bruler 39, B-1000 Brussels, Belgium. Telex: 62323. Phone: 33(2) 582 29 76. (WK 05/TOFAS 0004)

MARKETING INTEREST, INVESTMENT IN THE USA (BELGIUM). Wants to establish a representative agency in Belgium for various beverages, spirits and non-alcoholic beverages. Company is presently manufacturing and is bottling Campari for Belgium and Luxemborg. Company is a agent for wines spirits mainly with brands such as Campari, Drambuie, Nommerlunder, Heidsieck Monopole, Delaforce Port, Gin, Scotch Whiskies and White Spirits. Company is also interested in investing in the US. CONTACT: Francis De Prins, S.A. Sovinac, Rue Picard, 6, B-1020 Brussels, Belgium. Telex: 25870. Phone: 33(2) 427 43 25. (WK 05/TOFAS 0005)

MILK SUBSTITUTES FOR NEWLY-BORN CALVES/TENDER NO. 3/1985 (EGYPT). Quantity: 500 MT. Conditions bulletins are available against 200 U.S. dollars per copy. Deadline: Envelopes will be opened on Sunday, February 17, 1985 at 12 o'clock (local time) at the General Cooperative Society's office. CONTACT: Chairman/Animal Wealth and Products, Gen'l Cooperative for Developing Animals, 132, El Tahrir Street, Dokki, Cairo, Egypt. (WK 05/TOFAS 0010)

MILLED RICE (SAUDIA ARABIA). Quantity: 10,000 bags each month. Quality: medium grain, U.S. No. 2, calrose or similar. Packaging: white nylon bags, each 100 lbs. Delivery: March, 1985. Other Requirements: Arabic labelling. Quote: C&F Dammam. Bank ref: Al-Saudi Al-Hollandi, King Abdulaziz Street, Al-Khobar. CONTACT: Adel Alissa, Alissa Trading & Contracting Co. Ltd., P.O. Box 1559, Al-Khobar 31952, Saudi Arabia. Telex: 602711 ALISSA SJ. Phone: 03-857-6260 or 857-8512. (WK 05/TOFAS 0005)

NATURAL CHEESE (JAPAN). Specific quantities are not determined, however, expected to be substantial. Best quality. Institutional packaging. Delivery schedule to be decided later. Quote: C&F. Bank ref: Sanwa Bank, Akasaka Branch, Tokyo. CONTACT: Mr. Kenjiro Honma, Nissho Iwai Co., Ltd., 2-4-5, Akasaka, Minato-ku, Tokyo, Japan. Telex: 242-4567 NIC J. Phone: (03) 588-3983. (WK 05/TOFAS 0013)

PASTRY PRODUCTS, RICE, FLOUR AND JUICES (GREECE). COMPANY SUPPLIES CRUISE VESSELS, AIRLINES AND EMBASSIES THROUGH THE DUTY FREE MARKET. ALL GOODS ARE STORED IN TRANSIT. AMOUNTS WILL BE NEGOTIATED WITH THE U.S. FIRM. GREEK COMPANY IS INTERESTED IN REPRESENTING U.S. FIRMS. BANK REF: WILLIAMS & GLYN'S AND AMERICAN EXPRESS CORP. AKTI MIAOULI BRANCH, PIRAEUS, GREECE. CONTACT: MS. MARIA MAVRIKOU, MAVRIKOS IMPORTS S.A., 19, ZOODOHOU PIGIS STR., GR-185 3810, PIREAUS, GREECE. PHONE: (01) 4521202, (01) 4521211, (01) 4521381. TELEX: 213502 AOH. (WK 05/TOFAS 0017)

RABBIT FARM (EGYPT). Quantity: for 1,800 females; to include feed mills, slaughter house for rabbits and all that is needed for such farm as well as rabbits and breeding stock. CONTACT: Mr. Ayman El Mofty, United Investment Group, 48, El Giza Street, Orman Building, 3rd Floor, Apt. 36, Giza, Egypt. Phone: 982889 or 844440. Telex: 93494 GSO UN. (WK 05/TOFAS 0009)

RAW COTTON (BANGLADESH). Quantity: 5000 bales per annum. Quality: as per buyer's specs. Packaging: in bales of 500 lbs. Quote: C&F. (C) Chittagong & Chalna. Delivery: as per buyer's requirements. Bank ref: Uttara Bank, Siddeshwari Branch, Dhaka. CONTACT: Mr. Aminur Rahman, National Trading Corporation, 82, Siddeswari Road, Dhaka, Bangladesh. Cable: HALIFAX, DHAKA. Phone: 402949. (WK 05/TOFAS 0012)

RAW COTTON (TAIWAN). Quantity: depend on prices. Quality: 15/16' LM to slm, 1-1/16' m to sm; 1-3/32' m to gm. Packaging: standard export packaging. Delivery: Feb thru Dec 1985. Quote:" FOB or C&F. Bank ref: Bank of Taiwan, First Commercial Bank Cheng Hwa Commercial Bank. CONTACT: Nelson Koo, Prioneer Traders, Ltd., P.O. Box 1205 Taipei, Taipei, Taiwan. Telex: 11561 PAULCO. Phone: (02) 709-1316. (WK 05/TOFAS 0436)

RAW FROZEN EGGS, WELL BEATEN (HONG KONG). QUANTITY: FULL CONTAINER PER ORDER. QUALITY: GRADES 1 & 2. PACKAGING: EXPORT PACKING IN CANS. DELIVERY: EARLY 1985. QUOTE: CIF HONG KONG BASES. BANK REF: MANUFACTURERS HANOVER TRUST COMPANY HONG KONG BRANCH, EDINBURGH TOWER, 43/F, 15, QUEEN'S ROAD, CENTRAL, HONG KONG. CONTACT: MR. ALEX LEUNG, LAM SOON (HK) LTD., 6, CHEUNG YUE STREET, CHEUNG SHA WAN, KOWLOON, HONG KONG. TELEX: 54020 LAMSO HX. PHONE: 3-7432011. (WK 05/TOFAS 0019)

RED TURKISH LENTILS AND CHICKPEAS (INDIA). Quantity: lentils 2000 MT. every other month, chickpeas 1000 MT. every other month. Quality: lentils red turkish, whole, dry last harvest, foreign material below 5% packed in 50 kg. jute bags. Chickpeas 7-9 millimeter, dry last harvest, packed in 50 kg. jute bags. Delivery: begin March 15, 1985. Quote: CIF Calcutta, India. Bank ref: Raiffeisenbank, Elisabethpl. 7, A-1040 Vienna. CONTACT: Ing. Peter Nohynek, International Management, Kohlg. 49/15, A-1050 Vienna, Austria. Telex: 111010 TZSTA. Phone: 557593. (WK 05/TOFAS 0020)

RICE FLOUR (JAPAN). Wants 700 MT per month. Best quality. Institutional packaging. Immediate delivery by surface shipment. Quote: CIF. Bank ref: Bank of Tokyo, Shinjuku Branch, Tokyo. CONTACT: Mr. Hiroshi Atake, Meiko Ltd., 1-16-11, Nishi-Shinjuku, Shinjuku-ku, Tokyo, Japan. Telex: 34320 MEPRO-TYO. Phone: (03) 343-5862. (WK 05/TOFAS 0014)

SEEDLESS BLEACHED RAISINS, DRIED APRICOTS, WALNUTS, SHELLED, ALMONDS NOT SHELLED AND PRUNES (EGYPT). Quantities: raising 3 containers, dried apricots 3 containers, walnuts, super size 2 containers almonds super large 2 containers. almonds not-shelled 2 containers, prunes 2 containers. Samples are a must, could be sent through the AgCounselor's office in Cairo, Egypt. Delivery ASAP. CONTACT: Moustafa El Shammaa, Moustafa El Shammaa Company, 79, Nahda Street, Port Said, Egypt. Telex: 63026 MALSH UN. Phone: 28422 or 27289. (WK 05/TOFAS 0007)

SKIM MILK, WHEY POWDER-EDIBLE & COLORED GREEN, CHEESE POWDERS ALMONDS (SINGAPORE). Quantity: FCL. Quality: stockfeed grade. Packaging: bulk 25 kg net m/wall poly lined paper bags. Delivery ASAP. Quote: cost freight SPORE in Port-Kelang. Bank ref: Chartered Bank, Crosby House, Singapore Developement Bank of Singapore, Rochore Branch. CONTACT: K C Anand, G K International Pte Ltd, 56 Upper Serangoon Road, Singapore 1334. Telex: RS25893 GK. Phone: 2850570/2850577. (WK 05/TOFAS 0022)

TALLOW (KENYA). Quantity: 100 MT. every three months. Quality: for conversion to edible ghee. Packaging: quotes desired for various types. Delivery: Mombasa. Other req: funding available for immediate shipment. Quote: C&F. Bank ref: Central Bank of Kenya. CONTACT: Mr. James Kimbo, Director, Kenya Cold Storage (1964) Ltd., P.O. Box 41229, Nairobi, Kenya. Telex: 22949. Cable: CHILLY. Phone: 254-02-22243. (WK 05/TOFAS 0011)

TOMATO SEEDS, SWEET PEPPER SEEDS, MELON SEEDS, CUCUMBER SEEDS, LITTLE SWEET PEPPER SEEDS, WATERMELON SEEDS, EGGPLANT SEEDS, YELLOW CORN SEEDS (VENEZUELA). Quantity: a) 19 lb , b) 172 lb., c) 460 lb., d) 460 lb., e) 22 lb., f) 460 lb., g) 115 lb., h) 4.592 lb. Quality: a) Frorandel and Roma varities, b) California Wonder, c) Edisto 47, d) Ashley e) Charleston Gray, f) Black Beauty g) Yellow hybrid. Packaging: cans of 1 lb. each. Other req: seeds should be guaranteed to have at least 90 % of germination. Quote CIF Maiquetia. Bank ref: Banco Del Caroni, Av. Universidad, Caracas. CONTACT: Mr. Luis Dimas, Ahuven, Centro Villasmil, Piso 12, Oficina 12-08 Esquina Puente Victoria, Parque Carabobo, Caracas, Venezuela. Phone: (02) 573 1680 or 573 0680. (WK 05/TOFAS 0007)

TV DINNERS (JAPAN). Specific quantities are not determined, however, expected to be substantial. Best quality. Retail packaging. Delivery schedule to be decided later. Quote: C&F. Bank ref: Dai-ichi Kangyo Bank, Ashikaga Branch, Ashikaga-shi. CONTACT: Mr. Shoichi Shimada, SPIC Co., Ltd., 2264-1-1-13, Shinyama-cho, Ashikaga-shi, Tochigi-ken, Japan. Cable: SHIMADA-ASHIKAGA. Phone: (0284) 44-1445. (WK 05/TOFAS 0015)

WHEAT (BANGLADESH). QUANTITY AND DELIVERY: AS PER BUYER'S REQUIREMENTS. QUALITY: NO. 2 SRW OR WHITE. PACKAGING: BULK. QUOTE: C&F (C) CHITTAGONG & CHALNA. BANK REF: BANK OF INDO SUEZ, MOTIJHEEL, DHAKA. CONTACT: MR. BADIUS SALAM, MODERN TRADING CO., 14 PURANA PALTAN. DHAKA, BANGLADESH. TELEX: 65613 BOMB BJ. CABLE: MODTRACO. PHONE: 251022. (WK 05/TOFAS 0012)

WHEAT, RAW COTTON (BANGLADESH). Quantity: for both as per buyer's requirements. Quality: wheat, no. 2 soft red winter, cotton as per buyer's requirements. Packaging: bulk. Delivery: 60 to 90 days. Quote: C&F (C) Chittagong & Chala. CONTACT: Mr. MD. Sharaful Islam, Islam Brothers Int'l Inc., 30/2 East Hajipara, Dhaka, Bangladesh. (WK 05/TOFAS 0010)

WHEAT, SOYBEAN OIL, CRUDE SOYBEAN OIL REFINED (BANGLADESH). Quantity and delivery: as per buyer's requirements for all three. Quality: wheat no. 2 soft red winter, soybean oil crude and once refined. Packaging: wheat in bales of 500 lbs., crude bulk, refined in drums. Quote: C&F (C) Chittagong & Chalna. Bank ref: Agrani Bank, Purana Paltan Branch, Khaka. Janata Bank Foreign Exchange Branch, Dhaka. CONTACT: Mr. Jalaluddin Khan, Streamways, 20, Purana Paltan, Dhaka, Bangladesh. Cable: STREAM. Phone: 238913, 236463. (WK 05/TOFAS 0013)

YOGHURT MIXS, YOGHURT FERMENTORS, STABILIZERS FOR PRODUCING YOGHURT (SINGAPORE). Quality: natural flavor or fruits. Packaging: cartons. Delivery: six weeks. Quote: CIF. Bank ref: Umbc Corpn Bhd, Havelock Branch, Singapore. CONTACT: Vincent Teo, Teo Soon Seng Trading Co., Blk 87, Zion Road /15-174, Sinapore 0316. Telex: TMSR RS24200 (TM1541). Phone: 4751906. (WK 05/TOFAS 0023)

TECHNICAL OFFICE

Notice of Foreign Proposals Concerning Standards in Agriculture. As required of all signatories to the GATT Standards Code, the following notifications of foreign proposed standards-related rules have been provided for the information and comment of interested agencies and firms. The Technical Office invites inquiries from anyone who believes that any of the proposed regulations notified under this heading could cause a trade problem. From time to time we also receive information through our embassies in foreign countries, as is the case this week. Request for copies or questions can be referred to Carolyn Fillmore Wilson, USDA Technical Office, Foreign Agricultural Service, Room 5530 South Agriculture Building, Washington, D.C. 20250; or phone (202) 382-1318. Anyone interested in commenting on the proposals should include the TBT Notification Number in their communication.

Sweden - TBT Notification 84. 195. The Swedish Ministry of Agriculture and Environment/Commission for the Control of Chemical Products announced a proposal (product covered - chemicals) for new and revised legislation on chemical products and substances.

The proposed legislation will include an obligation for producers and importers to investigate the effect of their products to human health and to the environment. Producers, importers and retailers will be compelled to obtain access to the chemical or toxicological competence required for this purpose. Further, producers and importers will be bound to report to the competent authority on new discoveries in this field.

Importation, commercial resale or other commercial use of products considered to be especially danagerous are subject to licensing (a special permit from the country administration is required). The Commission now proposes that the period of validity for such permits may not exceed five years.

As to pesticides, "approval" registration will be limited to a period of five years at the most after which reconsideration of the "approval" will be required. The Commission also proposes that importation of waste materials which may create environmental contamination shall be subject to licensing.

The objective and rationale for this proposal is protection for human health and for the environment. The Technical Office has a 12 page English synopsis translation of this very long proposal.

Japan - TBT Notification 85.1 The Japanese Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries, Food and Marketing Bureau, Consumers Economy Division announced a proposed amendment (product covered - margarine) to the quality labelling standards on margarine. The proposal would classify margarine by fat content into "margarine" and "prepared margarine". The objective and rationale for this proposal is consumer protection. Final date for comments is March 20, 1985.

Japan - TBT Notification 85.2 The Japanese Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries, Food and Marketing Bureau, Consumers Economy Division has announced a proposal (product covered - soybean milk and beverage products) for an amendment to the quality labelling standards on soybean milk, prepared soybean milk, and soybean milk beverage which would introduce a new standard for "soy protein beverage". Final date for comments on the proposal is March 20, 1985.

Canada - TBT Notification 85.5 The Canadian Department of National Health and Welfare has announced a proposal (product covered - drugs) for an amendment to regulate the use of colouring agents in manufactured and imported drugs.

Japan The Technical Office just received a copy of the Japanese Agricultural Standard (JAS) for fruit drinks.

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